# INTERESTING SIDELIGHTS ON WAR AS SEEN BY "SUN" CORRESPONDENTS

# UP 85 PER CENT.

Increase in England, Due to War, 49 Per Cent. and in Italy, 29.

POTATO PROBLEM ACUTE

would have become a close market suffi- had as usual taken her place, cient unto itself and prices of foodstuffs : Tristan

the whole by about 29.78 per cent., despite infavorable exchange, high freights, high price of coal and other drawbacks. Bread has only increased 23 per cent.

### Increases Due to War.

in conclusion, the average inbrilliant results after all.

agging that the price has not increased since the war German potatoes briefly and chrono-

the scarcity and high prices of potatoes

otatoes are still scarce in the

avert the inevitable mistakes that every bureaucracy in the past has been in the habit of committing.

### BRITISH COST RISING.

# Four Per Cent. Increase in Food

GERMAN FOOD COST MME. DIEULAFOY'S DEATH THE RESULT OF OVERWORK

> Masculine Clothing Worn by Her Was Cause of Many Mistakes.

Special Correspondence to THE SUN Paris, June 1.—The death of Mme. Jane Diculator this week at the age of a deprives the world of a remarkable archivologist and France of a charming woman. Her unwillingness to abandon the habit of wearing masculine clothes (which she has found more fitted to her research work) gave her perhaps a wider notoriety even than her work. wore them very well and could salute eive a special police permit to dress

Mme. Dieulafoy into their carriage for women only, where she to declare that he had often "Instead, according to official statistics published by the Statistische Korfespondenz, the average increase in with a thick black beard the suprise prices between July, 1914, and February, thus caused can be understood. One day she asked an attendant at the Louvre if he had seen her hus-band anywhere. The veteran, wearing

hand anywhere. The veteran, wearing medals that showed service in Italian The Renaissance Theatre he minimum price of admission. 'aris was present, and provincials, who see all Paris than the performance.

There's François Coppes with Mme. usin, to whom he was showing the notabilities and he pointed to two equally "Which is Francois Coppee?" de-

d has only increased 23 per cent. movement for the employment of women. Three of her works received prizes 54, milk 13, beef 56, lard 15, and in army auxiliary services, believing that from the French Academy and one of except actual fighting. into practice. A characteristic little anecdote was told of a meeting of women to support Mme. Diculafoy's propositions. The question of the exact hour came up in some way and every lady looked at her watch. The toy lady looked at her watch. The toy and once more gave herself up to the

> Born Jane Magre, wealthy and gracedeveloped her taste for travel and ad- toward the end of last year, in a hope

Be Awarded for Services

Over Six Months.

FRANCE TO GIVE MEDAL 2,500,000 WOMEN



Mme. Dieulafoy.

work in Morocco and Egypt, the results i which can be seen in the I Legion of Honor was then granted to

Work in Spain, Portugal and Persia followed and after active research work, the purpose of feeding, gro "what is said about us abroad" (a thing provincial.

Mme. Dieulafoy started a in ordinary times).

very her romances, rewritten by herself as a She lyrical drama was set to music by Saint-

ornaments on bracelets were all joys of archeological research on findwaistcoat pocket, a heavy gold watch covered the ruins of a mosque, celewas able to put the committee brated in the middle ages, and over-

Exhaustion brought abo venture. Her husband, Marcel Diculatoy, less condition, yet survived for served in 1870 as a licutenant in the months, dying at Toulouse.

# **NOT ALL FIGHTERS**

British Are Actually Holding Only About 1,000,000 Teutons.

"BATMEN" NUMEROUS

Special Correspondence to Tie Sts. LONDON, May 29 .- Can it be possible that Great Britain at the present time has four million soldiers eating their heads off" Col. Churchill affirms it as a fact, and pertinently asked the Prime Minister, who had stated in numbers the armed strength of the Empire, "Where were those five million men?" Without in any way running counter

to the censor, it may be said that in France England is holding about thirtyfive German divisions, in Syria three or four Turkish divisions and in Mesopotamia from six to eight divisions—say forty-five divisions in all—and if these enemy formations are taken at their utmost numerical value they amount to no more than a round million, including

Making all due allowance for the need of strategic reserves, it must be borne in mind that a great principle is involved in "the economy of forces" now that the fighting services of the Crown are costing (3,000,000 (\$15,000,000) a day. Is full fighting value being got out of every division? Col. Churchill says "No." Then he speaks of an army of servants and grooms of marks of the control of the

engineers, his wife succeeding in accompanying him almost throughout the campaign. After the war, husband and wife began their archæological research work in Morocco and Egypt, the results work in Morocco and Egypt, the results of course it is a matter of high politics to determine whether a great defence force is needed for these islands, and it a question for the General Staff whether cavairy has had its day in western Europe. In pursuit it is still a possibility, and no doubt a host of trained soldiers will be maintained fo exercising troop horses and chargers.

which the Indian army calls "followers men," undoubtedly there is room for an extensive application of rule to pay officers a "servant allow-ance" and let them shift for themselves or hire a domestic. The regulation that in the ranks" is one more often honored the Ithone and give that port, whose The question of employed men, how-ever, only touches the fringe of a very sore subject, namely, the non-effectives of an army that eat up its rations and deplete its pay chest without doing a hand's turn toward gaining a victory or staving off defeat. All Generals have groaned under this incubus, and Woiseley referred to even his few war correspondents as "useless mouths." Wellington went so far as to exclude deliberately from his "states" every soul who could not be classified under the term "sabres and bayonets."

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### RUSSIA BENEFITS 'ARMY OF 5,000,000' NEW FRENCH WATERWAY WILL MAKE MARSEILLES MANUFACTURING CENTRE



Map showing route of the canal.

\$18,200,000 Canal Runs From the Rhone to the Mediterranean.

### SPAN OF ROVE TUNNEL BIGGEST IN WORLD

while the battle around Verdun was fir ishing its eleventh week and showing no ing of a tunnel over five miles long, the most difficult section in the construction of a canal that will join Marseilles to years, its first real outle from the interior of France.

There are labor battalions and unnelling companies, searchlight companies and topographical sections, ploneer battalions and a number of administrative units for the British Adriatic Mission. Then there are drainage companies, military prisons in the field, electric lighting sections and even a noncombatant corps. In and even a noncombatant corps.

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Something approaching 120,000 war more than ten acres of land under the coases having been awarded, the French potato cuttivation are ordered to keep 20 per cent, of their crops at the disposal of the Government.

"Winter, 1915-16, and spring, 1915-seems rather late in the day to discuss at the prices fixed by the Government and imprised fixed by the Government and impossibility to get potatoes at the opining content to compel the farmers to sell the potatoes they are hoserding."

Prof. Elmand: concludes his tragicomic story of German potatoes by mercy of German potatoes by mercy of German potatoes by mercy and pointing out that even the most wise and all cowerful German burselevatory of German burselevatory failed on the service of the constant of the composition of the tenth of the constant of the con

### Official ministerial party inspecting a portion of the canal. and for the building of the great have since been reported at the en-

varying between \$10,600,000 and \$23,-

Loetschberg tunnel. Fourteen contrac-tors submitted estimates and M. Chag-naud's was nearly \$9,600,000, the others miles from Toulon. The danger the crowded Marseilles harbor and lying |

out along the Estaque (bay of Marseilles) sent a was considered great enough to make scarcely A small canal between Arles and Port-that all merchantment awaiting a place the Bone has existed since the days of in Marseilles port must proceed to Maritime Prefect issue an order Finance has just published a Marseilles port must proceed

The Chamber of Commerce has oband tained permission from the Government The crowded state of Marseilles harbor (although additional docks are being built even now, dur- of textile and jute manufactures of Commerce in-is last Sunday a port will be. But that is not all different other things necessary to But that is not all differences of the canal, from army Port de Bouc to Martigues and thence trated in along the lake, it will be possible to same time fastories have been adap-build wharves for every shipping com- to the new requirements. anal enters and pany and works for every industry orn border of a Margeilles will thus become a great This manufacturing port, in addition to being manufacturing port, in addition to being a cort of transport. Coal, cotton, petrol to the unanimous verdict of all related every kind of raw material will be has done much in assisting to eliminate the control of the control of the unanimous verdict of all related to the unanimous verd

# was begun in 1802 and Frioul or Toulon, or remain in the the empire as to the effects of the war or

a purely agricultural country she

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have never done before, but altogether unknown

# ALSACE SOLDIERS FROM FAMINE IN DYES TURTLES AS TOMMIES PETS

# terior of Germany.

Make But Commonest Kind duty found it very hard to annue selves, according to Edmund Carolle

Soldiers on the Tigris Amase Themselves With Captured Tortoises.

British press representative

shortage of food, as illustrated in what

should have been cheaper there than else-"Instead, according to official statis-1916, exceeds 85 per cent Thus the price of rye bread increased 42 per cent, that of corn bread 14, rye flour 46. been limited to quantities fixed and are no longer procurable, of Sarah Bernbardt, for which

owever, is easily supports

in England and 29.78 in Italy. The Ger-man genius for organization has not led "Where German organization has com-pletely failed is in the case of potatoes, despite the fact that the Germans are

November, 1914-Complaints about

Winter 1914-15-Potatoes disappea from the markets. The Socialists blame speculators, agrarians blame unfavorable weather and transport difficulties, the people suspect the potatoes are being gevoured by pigs.
"January-February, 1915.—The slausth-ter of pigs is ordered and as a result the prices of pork rise by 70 per cent. Yet

are sold by the municipalities in sma quantities. Prof. Ballod announces that the potato crop was only 43,000,000 tons, Instead of 52,000,000, as in former years "March-April, 1915-The Governmen

and enforces distribution.

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Prices During April. .

From Per Cent. Increase in Poul Period April. 1. Which off in French Institute of Lincel Nation.

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## FOR AID TO SOLDIERS IN BRITISH INDUSTRY Decoration "For Gratitude" to Big Increase in Female Labor Raises a Difficult Post-

Bellum Problem.

Something approaching 120,000 war crosses having been awarded, the French Chamber has at last decided to create a distinctive sign to be worn by those who won the cross while facing death. It

"Then we knew it was a war cross occupations. conditions. It is clear that the woman FRANCE SENDS ENGRAVINGS. werker cannot be excluded wholesale, neither can she be exploited for the benefit of unscrupulous employers, but before the matter can be equitably ad-

the term "sabres and bayonets."

Major G U Redway, an excellent authority, points out that there is still another cause of the woful shrinking of England's armed forces, and that is the paraphernalia of stationary warfare. In addition to the pseudo military colony that is growing up on each line of communication, almost every month witnesses the advent of new units formed for every purpose but fighting.

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The Rhone, the natural fresh water outlet for Marseilles, is not, like the scine or Saone, "a moving readway," but a rushing torrent, and its last miles from Arles to the sea a dauger for all from Arles to the

# bursting shells, to a little pond, in which more than one body had been lying for the amount removed from the two some time. We could only get to the amount removed from the two parallel tunnels of the Simplon (twelve pond by night and would have missed the way but it was marked out by the line of corpses of men who had tried to reach it. Work began at the southern end in April, 1911, and at the northern end in helmets when it rained. We would bend helmets when it rained. We would bend cour heads forward so that the rain that fell on our helmets ran down to the war this number would have been three million cubic yards, which is twice three million cubic yards, which is two parallel tunnels of the Simplon (twelve and Lorsson May 30.—Serious difficulties such the fell on the both to take the fell on the being and three time when the livit to parallel tunnels of the Simplon (twelve and Lorsson May 30.—Serious difficulties ar

tion of financial magnates other than those engaged and it is certain the end of the war will find her in a very different position, change for the better since 1913, which is largely attributable to the prohib-tion of alcohol.

The sudden departure of M. Bark, the

BY BAN ON DRINK

Economic Condition Vastly

Improved and Crime Great.

INDUSTRIES DEVELOPING

Special Correspondence to Tue See

LONDON, May \$1.-The economite

sition of Russia is attracting the

ly Decreased.

Russian Minister of Finance Petrograd, The Russian Minis is just nearing conclusion and the result paid into the imperial exchequer a fea

days ago by a group of banks dertook its realization. The terms of subscription extended, for lately the United and China have begun to subscribe large amounts of money. This sum was

considered sufficient to carry or for some months. The official explanation of M. Bark's visit is that the term of credits for pay-ment of orders made by the Russian Government abroad ended on October of orders were executed, so the Russian Government is compelled to ask for an extension of the date for payments. There is little doubt that other more important questions will be discussed and especially as to how far Russia can reckon on the financial assistance of Great Britain if the war is prolonged

### Closer Alliance Is Sought.

At the same time the Russian Government seems to attach the greatest importance to the economic conference of the Allies. The Russian delegates in clude M. Pokrovsky, the Comptroller of perts on finance, and M. Prilekaieff, the Assistant Minister of Trade and merce, who will be accompanichlefs of departments of all the istries interested, even the Mu Interior.
At this moment both

the establishment of the closest p That Russia after the war will pr ways to rely upon herself. Russia ha

Prohibition Has Helped Empire

If the canal is continued to Lyons also contributed greatly to uplift e cost would be \$190,000,000, about the social and moral status of the

London, June 1 .- During lu